Fathers Usually Make so Much Unnecessary Fuss About Imaginary Troubles That Their Sons are Scared to go Into the same line of Business

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Some Interesting Reminiscenes of the Craft in Bennington

SEVERAL STANDS FIFTY YEARS OLD

Day of Whiskers Has Given Way to Reign of Safety Razor With Other Changes.

"Next!"

It's a small word of four letters, yet what ablutionary miracles on the map of male humanity the vocal signal has accomplished. From the inhabitant of Glastenbury who wagered that if Grover Cleveland was elected, he would never cut his hair-and lostdown to the man who gets a shave twice a month whether he needs it or not, the knights of the razor and shears have been singing their song to the gurgle of bay-rum and witch-

It has been a long and dreary song sometimes to the man on his feet behind the tonsorial operating table eight, ten or twelve hours a day. But all the world's a shave-and a mighty close shave, too, for some folks-and men, (and some women.) in it only shavers. Therefore the artist of the lather-kettle is the man who keeps the town from barbarism-through barberism-and to him all credit is due,-although sometimes his scissors slip and lop off three or four ears or his razer has a nick that trans-

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nington has had, and still has, som ood barbershops and some good b. Jers. Nobody ever tells them they're good barbers although it requires only the slicing of a festive blackhead to get an expression of opinion the other way. That's because ninety percent of the census are satisfied with everything and everybody ninety percent of the time, but the other 10 percent perpetually keep such a rumpus stirred up they out-shout and out-shadow the majority. Not that the Banner Man expects to get his whiskers removed gratis for the next decade by handing them this typographical bouquet, but be cause there's many a town the size o Bennington with tonsorial parlors dark, mildewed and poorly ventilated, with operators who talk all the time and say nothing, and with razors that feel on the human skin as though the barber had lifted his hoof the tap of his shoe.

Bennington is possessed of several first-class shops, in fact, more than the average town of this size boasts The trouble is that the average male Benningtonian becomes so used to the service he receives that he forgets what the average small town shop is

size resembles the shops Bennington had thirty years ago. They were lather or shampooing being heated over an oderous oil stove; and many a facial disease was transmitted by poorly sterilized instruments pre valent in a day when germs had not been invented.

The first shops were naturally Bennington Center. Their histroy is lost in legend and myth. The dexterity of their workmen may be comprehended by a glance at any dag guerreotype or framed enlargement o your bewhiskered ancestors hanging on your Aunt Jane's parlor walls. But down in the village much of the his

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L OST-A sum of money in an envelope Sat-urday night between the collar shop and st West Main Street. Raturn to 88 West Main Street and receive a liberal reward. 116†

cupied by John Allard has been a bar Putnam House now sponsored by Lyons Brothers. The latter is the lowed the vicissitudes of the Old Stark house when the hotel moved across the street and took the name of the Putnam House. It was originally run by an old colored gentleman ber business has fallen as instinctively as the propensity for watermelon or sleeping in the sun. "Old Man Berry" conducted the business for a in ownership, the present proprietors pegan swinging the razor under the

are more recent arrivals. Coming up Main street to the talk-shop of the genial Charley Firth, one finds one when his blade became dull and of the oldest stands in the city, if not slapped the scalpel back and forth on the oldest. The shop has swung the tonsorial sign at the same stand for nearly fifty years without a break Just who started the stand is some what indefinite, but over 35 years ago Edward Moon was footing up his cash instructions to the present "Charley" about building the fires the following pleasant smile who beckons you in at afterward. Subsequently on the demise of his proprietor, Firth bought the business and has been running it

J. W. Farmer, whose model shop further up the street, is another old timer at the business, having run a shop in several locations before get kinson, whose death occurred recent ly, had been at his stand opposite the

Baptist church for a number of years It is remarkable how long most o business. And in the time curious changes have taken place in the craft. Thirty years ago mankind rat to whiskers. The wilder and more fanciful the facial brush, the more of

a man was the owner. To grow a se of whiskers was secondary only to voting or perspiring over a first cigar Today the safety-razor people have langed all this. The youngster con siders himself eligible to man's estate when he can muster a sufficient num ber of pin-feathers to have them re anteed hair grower and having his picture "took" with the chin append ages of a Henry Cabot Lodge. The appetite for chin-streamers existing

in the eighties there is now less shay ing being done in the barber shops than then. Mankind can now slop greasing the same with a shaving stick and four minutes of frisking a Gem or a Gillete over his countenance makes him ready "with the sun, his daily stage of duty to run."

In the matter of hair-cuts, it used to be the practice in Bennington shops to open on Sunday. The Good Book claiming it was permissible to do good on the Sabbath, the tonsorial crew extended the passage to making Bennington men less barbaric in the matter of hair. For years Mr. Moon would not out hair on Saturday nights. Shaving only, followed the old- fashioned weekly supper of baked-beans and brown-bread. If a man wanted his head harvested, the job waited until Sunday or a week day. And the price then was only Those were the days when mankind did not live at a forty-horsepower speed. It was no uncommon sight in those days to see from a doz en to twenty men waiting in a shearshop while one man and a boy gath ered in the ten and 20-cent pieces. Today more men are required be bothers his ankles, he wants the snip ping to start as soon as the barber can reach for the clippers. Then he eits down and reads "Puck" for half an hour or discusses the speed of his

Ford automobile. A curious feature in the evolution of the barber shop is the epitaph tacked on the bay-rum bottle. Once we knew when a man had been in a barber's chair because he gave off oders like a perfume factory. The hair-cut-and-shaver made a concoc-

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Cushing, Bird, Gardner and Washburn in Joint Statement

ALL WILLING TO BE DELEGATES

Ready to Attend National Republican Convention Pledged to Support the Colonel.

Boston, Feb. 11 .- Announcement of the candidacies of Grafton D. Cushing, Charles Sumner Bird, A. P. Cardner and Robert M. Washburn for delegates at large to the Republican national convention pledged to support Theodore Roosevelt for the pary nomination for president, was made tonight. In a joint statement he candidates say:

"We are candidates for delegatesat-large from Massachusetts, to Republican national conventio.

"We are tired of vague statements and beating around bush.

"We propose to go straight to point and give everyone chance to know for what he is voting at primaries. "We don't want to go unpledged.

'We do not want the convention set in for dark horse. 'We want Roosevelt for President.' Mr. Cushing was the last lieuten-

ant-governor of the State; Mr. Bird was the Progressive candidate for covernor in two campaigns and last all supported the Republican candidate, Gov. McCall; Mr. Gardner is congressman from the Essex County district, and Mr. Washburn is a State senator from Worcester.

ONCE LIVED IN WOODFORD

Elmer E. Smith, Who Was Killed by Train in Rutland Tuesday Evening. Elmer E. Smith, the painter in the employ of the Howe Scale company n Rutland, who was killed Tuesday evening by a train on the Bellows Falls division of the Rutland rallroad,

Woodford. tached to the tragedy for it is understood that the young man had with him at the time money which becould not be found after the body was discovered. His gold watch was also missing. The union funds he carried in a small handbag. It is also understood that he had money of his own in a pocket which likewise dimp

peared. The young man leaves a brother Joseph E., in Stockbridge and two sisters, Emily S. Smith, a trained nurse of Rutland and Mrs. Margaret Estes of Woodford. Other survivors are a widow, a 12-year-old son and a mother, Mrs. Isabelle Johnson, matron of the cottage hospital in Rutland. He was 30 years old.

Special attraction at opera house. Monday, Miss Kla-wah-ya Nichau, harpist. Adv.

about 20c a gallon. Hot towels were unknown. When the whiskers were decapitated, the towel which had dabbed in water, sopped round his features; then a bench-bottle consist splashed on the inert patient's bronzed cheek. Mennen hadn't hitched up bis trousers and made a million dolthere followed a solution of magnesia which unless well mopped off after ward, left the victim with a complex ion like chalk-only whiter. But the pure, unadultered bay-rum-that was a treat for the wealthy or the spend-thrift. Many an old time bar ber can yet see the sign, "Bay Rum, 5c. Extra" which hung in a prominent place in the shop.

Today witch-hazel is cheaper than hay-rum as well as cleaner and more plensing to the skin in its after-effect. Today, also, state regulations in regard to the sanitation of barber shops man who prefers to mix politics and canversation with his tonsorial requirements. A clean hot towel must go with every shave and instruments

sterilized. Today there are about 10 excellent shops in the village, among them are those owned by. John W. Allard, Thomas Cartwright, J. B. Comar, J. W. Farmer, W. C. Firth, Thomas and Martin Lyons, James L. McGurk, Joseph Lyons, E. E. Sargood and E. J. Cummings.

North Bennington Wins Distinction at Norwich University. During chapel exercises at Norwich University Thursday, the Robert H. Wilson development medal was pre-

sented to Walter L. Hurd of the freshman class, by Col. Ira L. Reeves, presi dent of the university. The medal is one annually awarded by H. C. Wilson of Lyndonville, in memory of his son, to the member of the freshman class showing the greatest all-around development during the first semester. The conditions governing the award of the handsome medal require that the student receiving it have a passing mark in all his subjects, and that the members of the freshman class alone decide on the student most deserving of the prize.

Mr. Hurd is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hurd of North Bennington, and a graduate of the North Bennington high school in the class of 1914. Since taking up his studies at Norwich last September he has entered into the spirit of the University, and identified himself with several of its organizations; notably the glee club and band. His military standing has shown marked improvement, and his application in his studies has given him the rank of fourth place in the freshman class. General satisfaction is voiced by the entire corps of the university at the decision of the class, which not only speaks well for Mr. Hurd's ability, but also indicates the esteem in which he is held by his fellow classmates.

HIGH SCHOOL FIVE WON

Friday night the Bennington high school basketball team broke its record of continued defeats by winning from the Y. M. C. A. second team. B. H. S. started the scoring early in the first half when Burt tossed the first field basket. The period closed with the score 14 to 8.

in the second half the play was much faster and as a result the score for both teams rose rapidly. Jenney starred for the high school with 11 field baskets and one foul basket to his credit while Mc.Guire carried off the honors of the "Y" 2nds with 5 field baskets. The final score was 6-20 in favor of the high school. Following is the lineup:

B. H. S. Jenney, If., Lambert, rf., lf., Freidman E. Burt. c., c., Clark Parsons, rg., rg., Waldron

Paddock, lg. lg., Dragon Field baskets-Jenney 11, Burt 2, Dragon 3, Friedman 2; foul baskets Jenney, E. Burt. Referee, Colburn.

In the preliminary the Midgets were defeated by The Jolly Five in a well played game. Final score 10 to 1st Mass., heavy artillery from Law-6. Lineup:

Jolly Five E. Sigworth, c., c., C. Moore F. McBride, rf., rf., A. Sumner B. Relley, If. lf., D. Patchin M. Keller, rg., rg., E. Waldron H. Cronin, Ig., lg., H. Friedman Field baskets, F. McBride 2,

Reiley 1, A. Sumner 2, E. Sigworth 1; foul baskets, F. McBride 2, A. Sumner

Admission 25c. Thebarge's orches

Dancing at N. E. O. P. hall tonight.

WORST GRIP YEAR IN DECADE Bennington Severely Hit in Nation-Wide Affliction.

The grip epidemic ceases to be a sub ject for thoughtless wit. Those who have been detained at home for a day or a week may laugh at those under this winter has been the worst season for fatalities from the disease and its more serious twin-aliment, pneumonia, of any for the past decade. Almost a funeral a day has taken place during the last few weeks.

The firm of J. Ed. Walbridge ports that from one cause or another they have had more funerals during the past month of January than at any time within the memory of its esteemed proprietor and Mr. Walbridge has unfortunatey been called upon to attend to nearly 8500 deaths and funerals since he began business in North Bennington years ago.

A sober thought in bringing the fact of this winter's mortalities home lies in the unusual circumstance of seven elderly ladies being prepared for burial by this firm during the week just passed The majority of deaths were from pneumonia and they occurred among those past 55 years of age. The two other undertakers in town M. J. Welch and H. P. Woodman have fortunate ordeals. Bennington is not alone in its affliction, however. Reports from other parts of the country show that the increased mortalities of this over other years is almost nation-

WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western Vermont rain or snow tonight and our husband and father.

SUNK BY GERMAN TORPEDO BOATS

Sent to Bottom in Battle off Dog- Also Declare Missing Broker is ger Banks

DENIED BY BRITISH ADMIRALTY BEHEVED TO BE EUROPE-BOUND

London Claims Victim of Kaiser's Misquito Fleet Was Only a

Mine Sweeper.

London, Feb. 11 .- A Berlin official statement received here today claims that a British cruiser has been sunk by a German torpedo boat craft and another British cruiser torpedoed. The British official press bureau denies this.

The German statement was to the effect that the German torpedo craft met British cruisers off the Dogger Bank on Thursday night and sank the new cruiser Arabis and torpedoed a second cruiser.

In giving out the German message for publication the press bureau appended the following:

"The British Admiralty states that the cruisers above mentioned were four mine-sweeping vessels, three of which have returned safely."

The text of the German statement follows: "On the night of the 19th and 11th during an advance of our torpedo boats, our boats met on the Dogger Bank, some 12 sea miles east of the English coast, several English cruisers, which at once fled. Our oats pursued them and sank the new cruiser Arabis and obtained a hit with a torpedo on a second cruiser. Our torpedo boats rescued the commander of the Arabis with two other officers and 21 men. Our forces suf-

fered damage, but no losses." The British cruiser Arabis is not isted in the current naval publications. This is explained by the fact that the names of the new boats of the British navy have not been given out by the Admiralty because of war conditions.

Samuel A. Holt.

ant of custer post, died at the Soldiers' home Friday afternoon, Feb-4. He was born in Andover, Mass., 75 years ago. He enlisted in Co. K. rence., Mass, and came to Bennington soon after the close of the war. He worked for many years at his trade of machinist, being employed consecutively by Olin Scott, Tiffany & Cooper, Tiffany Bro's., and of late years by the Charles Cooper estate. He gave up his work about two years ago on account of falling health and for the past nine months had

been confined to his home on Beech street. His condition became so seri ous that it was thought advisable to remove him to the hospital at the Soldiers' home. He was admitted there February 1, dying three days late:

He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Esther Downs of this village who died in 1887. His second wife was Mrs. Matilda Denio, also of Bennington, who survives him. By and three daughters, Eugene F., and Robert M. L. Holt of Pitisfield, Mrs Annes Sexton and Mrs. Helen Winslow of Bennington, who also survive A daughter, Clara, died in 1893, and a son. Sumner by his second marriage died less than a year ago. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Frank D. Valpey of Lawrence, Mass., a step-son, Lafayette Denio of Bennington and step-daught er, Mrs. Lloyd S. Wallace of Akron,

He was always active in Grand Army work, and his loss will be felt by the old soldiers. The funeral was held from the soldiers' home Sunday afternoon February 6 at 3 o'clock Rev. Earl C. Davis of the Unitarian church Pittsfield, officiating. Burial

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was in the village cemetery.

The usual services will be held at the Congregational church Sunday, At the morning service the pastor will speak upon the subject "Lincoln and speak at the young Peoples's society at 6 o'clock and also at the evening service, 7 o'clock. All are especially

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all who sent flow ers, and all neighbors and friend who by their kind acts and ready sympathy helped us in bearing the loss of

Mrs. Samuel A. Holt and family. same."

PUTNAM CASHED IN \$300,000

Dr.J.Grant Lyman

Creditors Who Have Claims Amounting to \$150,000 File Petition in Bankruptcy.

New York, Feb. 11 .- An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed today in the United States district court against John H. Putnam, stock broker. who is being sought by postoffice in spectors and is believed now to be on his way to Europe on the steamship Baltic. Putnam did business as John H. Putnam and company and operated branches in Hartford, Conn., and

Springfield, Mass. Prior to his departure, postoffice inspectors say, Putnam withdrew an account amounting to \$300,000 from the Seaboard National bank. Counsel for the petitioning creditors say Putnam's liabilities are about \$150,000 with unknown assets.

Putnam, who is wanted in connection with a conspiracy to defraud investors in mining stocks by illegal use of the malls, was identified today, officials declared, as Dr. J. Grant Lyman convicted in 1914 in Los Angeles for was swindles and sentenced to two years imprisonment, but who jumped

TEMPLAR DANCE SUCCESSFUL

Held at Masonic Temple Friday Eve-

ning With Good Crowd. The Knights Templar of Bennington and vicinity held their annual ball at the Masonic temple Friday evening

about 50 couples being in attendance. The hall was tastefully decorated with evergreen. Donnelly's orchestra maintained their reputation for good music with nine instruments, playing about 20 numbers Light refreshments were served during the inter-

Th committee to whom credit for he success of the affair is due consisted of Dr. F. S. Braley, Clarence L. , !olden, T. A. Davenpurt, M. D. Cook

FAVORS LOCAL OPTION

Rutland Trades and Labor Council Adopted Resolution

Rutland, Feb. 11 .- A resolution indorsing the principle of local option and characterizing the possible passage of the Perry bill as "a step backward to intemperance" was adopted at a meeting of the Central 'Trades and Labor Council of this city in Apol lo hall last night. Plans for a "labor forward" movement in this city that shall include every branch of trade at present outside the pale of organiz ed labor were practically completed and arrangements for a mass meeting to be held some evening during the coming week were discussed.

It was announced that the work of the two organizers at resent working in this city would be supplemented by the efforts of a number of other representatives of the state and national organizations of various trade unions. The men at precent in the city are Fred Cederholm of Bridgeport, Conn., representing the International Association of Machinists, and Ernest Schlie fer of Toledo, O., representing the same body. .

The resolution putting organized labor in this city on record as being emphatically opposed to the enactment o fthe Perry bill or any similar substitute for local option was introduced by James J. Reedy of this city. third vice-president of the state branch of the American Federation of Labor, and reads as follows:

"Whereas, there is upon the statute books at the present time what is known as the 'local option law,' under which each community has the right of home rule and local self-government by which the majority rules:

"Whereas, during the time it has been in operation the cause of temperance has made rapid progress, as all true friends of temperance agree;

"Whereas, being opposed to intemperance in every form and knowing that statewide prohibition would be a step backward to it, therefore be

"Resolved, That we, the Central Trades and Labor Council, favor the present local option law and call upon all true friends of temperance to do all in their power to uphold the